21. A method for verifying identity of a user of a data processing apparatus, comprising the steps of :

a)    receiving, by said data processing apparatus, information specific to a user and necessary for accessing an account of said user ;

b)    verifying said account being valid, by an electronic transaction system, by use of said information received by said data processing apparatus;

c)    using by said data processing apparatus, a favourable result of said verification as a pre-condition for providing user access to at least a part of the functionality of said data processing apparatus ;

wherein said steps a) to c) is being performed without charging said account and said at least a part of functionality being not related to said validity status of said account.

21(Second Time Amended). A method for verifying identity of a user of a data processing apparatus, comprising the steps of :

a)     receiving, by said data processing apparatus, information specific to a user and necessary for accessing an account of said user ;

b)     verifying said account being valid, by an electronic transaction system, by use of said information received by said data processing apparatus;

c)     using by said data processing apparatus, a favourable result of said verification as a pre-condition for providing user access to at least a part of the functionality of said data processing apparatus ;

wherein said [access] steps a) to c) is being [provided] performed without charging said account and said at least a part of functionality being not related to said validity status of said account.